



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

*The Office of the Governor*  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, in its quest to end the devastating effects of Multiple Sclerosis for over 50 years; the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is the one thing people with MS can count on; and*

*WHEREAS, as the most common disabling neurological disease of young adults in the United States and particularly in the Rocky Mountains, Multiple Sclerosis affects one-third of a million people nationwide; and*

*WHEREAS, in Idaho alone over 1600 people suffer the effects of MS; and*

*WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has provided more than \$290 million for biomedical research and fellowship grants during the past four decades, as well as a wide range of client services in the areas of health, knowledge and independence through its fifty-state network of chapters and its home office; and*

*WHEREAS, while research advances have brought us closer to finding the cure, prevention and cause for Multiple Sclerosis, much remains to be done and services must continue to be provided to those who live with the disease;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2004 to be*

**MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS MONTH**

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.*

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE